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Abstract
(in conjunction with Fig. 9)

Process and apparatus for producing and/or packaging cigarettes

During the production of cigarettes, but in particular in the
region of a cigarette-packaging machine, a comparatively large
5 amount of tobacco accumulates as waste. This is specifically
removed by arranging suction-extraction elements and/or
conveying-away elements for tobacco particles (19) in the
region of elements and subassemblies of the machines with
increased accumulation of tobacco. The air with tobacco
10 particles (19) which has been extracted by suction is led
through a tobacco separator (45), which has a separating
element (48) for receiving the tobacco particles. From time to
time, these are removed from the tobacco separator (45) and
recycled into the production process.

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